

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the above amendments be entered into the instant application prior to examination. Applicant wishes to have claims 1-22 as amended during the International Preliminary Examination Stage to be examined. Claims 1-22 are amended here in formal regards to eliminate multiple dependencies and to place the claims in more common US format.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 22156-00006-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: *JAN. 7, 2005*

Respectfully submitted,

By 

Susan E. Shaw McBee

for Registration No.: 39,294

CONNOLLY BOVE LODGE & HUTZ LLP

1990 M Street, N.W., Suite 800

Washington, DC 20036-3425

(202) 331-7111

(202) 293-6229 (Fax)

Attorney for Applicant